

The Best of 2008 KUCI Staff Picks

DJ Ky Le

Host of *Things That Aren't Square*

10. Stephen Malkmus & The Jicks: *Real Emotional Trash*
THE indie rock posse boy likes to move his head slightly right, guitar left, but his heart is still into stuffin' neck after took into every funk he pens. Guitars, every Malkmus solo album is the methadone shot that we take to help us ween off of the pure heroin kick of Pavement, but it's still a good high.

9. Ponytail: *Ice Cream Spiritual*
An album of mordant, nerdy guitar spaz. Not squat in the angular/noise sense but squat in the "youthfully countercultural" sense. In the "I-wish-you-to-see-my-new-Ponytail-and-I-can't-really-breathe-and-I-mean-you-know-all-about-them" sense.

8. The Mae Shi: *Hillyh*
The absolute best man-punk-electro-punk album I've seen based on Christianity released this year (the title is mud "Hilly Hilly"). By the way: Violentists bleeps him up with anthemic shout-alongs and powerchords to create an album that's catchy, fun, and energetic, all done with a strong sense of "not taking themselves seriously."

7. Los Campesinos! *Hold On Now, Youngster*
A septet of ex-cards from Welsh kids released an album that launched a thousand AIM away messages. Lyrics pulled straight from an especially witty LiveJournal mixed with a deeply-twin adoration of Bob Dylan and Bob Dylan, and wrapped in a cathartic pop assault complete with shout-alongs and glorification.

6. King Khan and The Shrines: *The Supreme Genius of King Khan and the Shrines*
Two extremely energetic flavors of music, garage rock and soul have been fused together into a delicious oral treat. Harmonica and guitars provide the support for King Khan to perform his invented James Brown impression for just under an hour.

5. The Luksmiths: *Fever Frost*
For fifteen years, this band of absolute sweethearts from Australia have released perfect pop music that warms the heart with the heat of summer. Now they've put out a bit of a winter album, & feel more reserved and a tiny bit cooler.

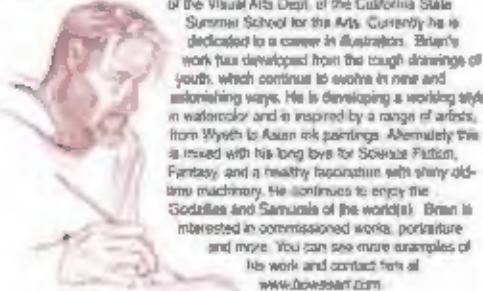
4. Earthless: *Live at Roadburn*
The three Earthless albums I own, including the double disk behemoth, amounts to seven tracks total. That is because Earthless writes songs in the style of "mind-destroying awesome and long, guitar-centric psychedelic explosions." This album consists of two 45-minute long tracks that document the Earthless live experience. I hesitate to make any inference to jam bands, knowing the type of bill that usually brings into people's homes, but these guys just rock the F.U.R. for huge extended periods of time, and it stays inspiring (and completely awesome).

3. Why?: *Alapeca*
Growing up on hip hop, Why? Yael Weiz has a sturdy base in rhythm and lyrics. Though, the music he creates is more than happy to incorporate record collections full of the Beach Boys and the Beatles as well as Eric B & Rakim. "Alapeca" maintains Weiz's overall hipster string of ensuring albums full on as harmonic and catchy as they are rhythmically interesting and lyrically abundant.

2. Girl Talk: *Feed the Animals*
So, it was a pretty weak year for music, so an album as unapologetically fun and party-friendly can handily float to the top of the pile. Sure it's just a mashup album, but the fact that it made it into my stereo about three times more than anything else that came out this year is why it's so high on my list. "Feed the Animals" is far from high art, but it's fun, and amazing to dance to.

1. Mount Eerie with Julie Doiron & Fred Squire: *Last Witness*
About four years ago, I went to the Che Cafe down in San Diego to see Mount Eerie play live. If you've not been there, the Che is a wooden, cabin-like building on the campus of UCSD, surrounded by pine trees. It very much gives the impression that you are at camp. When Mount Eerie's Phil Elverum took the stage, he asked that all the lights be turned off, and the audience sat on the floor or in chairs, listening to him strum his acoustic guitar and sing his songs of love and nature in his unique sense of melody. Because the lights were off, no one was self-conscious about singing their hearts out. So we all sat together with no light but the moon filtering through pine trees while we all raised our voices together in this beautiful moment where you left you were part of the universe and deeply elevated about how great life can be. I will treasure that experience forever. That's kind of what this album is like.

Brian Bowe, the winner of the KUCI design contest, is an illustration designer working in San Francisco, where he lives with his beautiful wife and two cats. Brian has a BFA in illustration from the California College of Arts and Crafts. He has spent the last two years working as the Coordinator of the Visual Arts Dept. of the California State Summer School for the Arts. Currently he is dedicated to a career in illustration. Brian's work has developed from the rough drawings of youth, which continue to evolve in new and astonishing ways. He is developing a working style in watercolor and is inspired by a range of artists, from Wyeth to Asian ink paintings. Additionally he is involved with his long love for Science Fiction, Fantasy, and a healthy fascination with shiny old-time machinery. He continues to enjoy the Goddesses and Samurais of the world. Brian is interested in commissioned works, portraiture, and more. You can see more examples of his work and contact him at www.brianbowe.com.



DJ Intern Sam
Host of *Nailed Comedy*

Top 10 Comedy Albums of 2008:
10. Jimmy Pardo & Scott Aukerman: *Never Not Christmas*
9. Neil Hamburger: *Sings Country Winters*
8. Tim and Eric Tira and Eric Andre: *Great Songs*
7. Todd Barry: *From Heaven*
6. Lewis Black: *Anticipation*
5. Andy Daly: *Nine Swingers*
4. Mitch Hedberg: *Do You Believe in God?*
3. R.D. Manse: *The Best of R.D. Manse*
2. Flight of the Conchords: *Flight of the Conchords*
1. Doug Benson: *Professional Humorist*

DJ Paul

10. Grouper: *Dragging A Dead Deer Up A Hill*
9. Why?: *Alapeca*
8. Growing All The Way
7. Gang Gang Dance: *Saint Dymphna*
6. Vivian Girls: *Vivian Girls*
5. Lucky Dragons: *Dream Island Laughing Language*
4. Perf! Power: *Perf! Power*
3. High Places: *High Places*
2. No Age: *No Age*
1. Ponytail: *Ice Cream Spiritual*

DJ Adam

Host of *Disturbing the Peace*

Jens Lekman: *High Falls Over Konkoma*
Crazy P: *Stop Space Return*
Santogold: *Saints Go Last*
DJ Rupture: *Upsilon*
Playhouse: *Famous When Dead*
Nick Cave and the Bad Seeds: *Dig Lazarus Dig!*
Harriet: *Harriet*
Harvey and Thomas Bullock: *Map of Aches*
Spiritualized: *Songs in A Key*
Spectreman: *S DJ Tone*

DJ Rita

Host of *The Sound Session*

The Helio Sequence: *Keep Your Eyes Ahead*
Warpaint: *Woman*
Vivian Girls: *Vivian Girls*
Crystal Bites: *Light the Night*
Various Artists: *Perfect as Candy: A Tribute to the Cure*
Japanese Motors: *Japanese Motors*
The Kills: *Midnight Boom*
Love is All: *A Hundred Things Keep Me Up at Night*
Dearhunter: *Morospective*
Darker My Love: ?

DJ J. Pulaski

Host of *Inflammable*

10. M83: *Saturdays = Youth*
9. Flying Lotus: *Los Angeles*
8. Various Artists: *Obsession*
7. Nomo: *Ghost Rock*
6. King Khan & The Shrines: *Supreme Genius of King Khan*
5. Benga: *Diary of an Aflo Warrior*
4. Hellocentrism: *Cut There*
3. Various Artists: *Alapeca Special (Vol 1-3)*
2. Nobody Presents: *Blank Blue: Western Water Music Vol 2*
1. Portishead: *Tim*

DJ Jeremy

Host of *Disco, For Your Health*

Hercules & Love Affair: *Hercules & Love Affair*
Cut Copy: *In Ghost Colours*
The Black Ghosts: *The Black Ghosts*
The Rapture: *X/Tapes*
Empire of the Sun: *Walking On a Dream*
The Whigs: *X Marks Destination*
TV On The Radio: *Dear Science*
Jamie Lidell: *Jim*
Wallpaper: *TREX EP*
Services: *Eat, Play, Love*

DJ Shapen

Host of *How Does?*

10. Anton Kratoch: *Mutually Assured*
9. Vivian Girls: *Vivian Girls*
8. The Dutchess and the Duke: *She's The Dutchess, He's The Duke*
7. Grouper: *Dragging A Dead Deer Up A Hill*
6. Devotchka: *A Mod & Faithful Telling*
5. French Kick: *Swimming*
4. Dearhunter: *Morospective*
3. Okay: *Huggable Dual*
2. The Kills: *Midnight Boom*
1. Department Of Eagles: *In Easy Park*

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WINTER 2009
SCHEDULE

**MONDAY**

12 AM - 2 AM
American Psychosis
Rock with Some Umph!
with Bateman

2 AM - 4 AM
Hear, There, Everywhere
Eclectic At Its Cutest
with Kletzke & Marlene

4 AM - 6 AM
The World of Jazz
Playing Great Jazz That Will Become Your Favorites
with The Jazz Guy

6 AM - 8 AM
All About Jazz
America's Cultural Art Form
with Dr. Roland Esq Holmes

TUESDAY

12 AM - 2 AM
The Highlife
Hip Hop for the Rest of Us
with Charlie Fitzpatrick

2 AM - 4 AM
Hip Hospital
Prescription Strength Hip Hop
with Darnell & Romeo

4 AM - 6 AM
Aggressively Progressive
House, Psy-Trance, Techno and More
with DJ Faaf

6 AM - 8 PM
The Final Cut
Classic and Modern Film Scores
with Kat

WEDNESDAY

12 AM - 2 AM
Poptones
You Left a Hole in the Back of My Head
with Zhulin

2 AM - 4 AM
A Bright and Shining Tomorrow
Now That's What I Call Noise!
with Mercapto Blue

4 AM - 6 AM
A&K Will Make Your Day
Eclectic, Indie, House, & Morning Coffee Music
with Nish & DJ Special K

6 AM - 8 AM
Killing Flies
Fly Swatter, Dart Gun, Optical Illusions, & George Clooney
with Genia

THURSDAY

12 AM - 2 AM
Naked Comedy
Today's Comic Stars on Yesterday's Technology
with DJ Intern Sam

2 AM - 4 AM
Raging Anteater Radio
A Variety of Not-so-widely Heard Music
with Daniel Johnson

4 AM - 6 AM
Cactus Cube
Asian Underground Music
with Dofne

6 AM - 8 AM
Infinite Hours
An Alternative to the Verse/Chorus/Bass/Drum/Guitar
with DJ NOW

FRIDAY

12 AM - 2 AM
The Gingerbread Factory
Downtempo and Funky House Music
with DJ Ramy A

2 AM - 4 AM
Light Waves, Dark Matter
Music for Somewhere, Somewhere
with DJ Pulsar

4 AM - 6 AM
Kiss The Beat
Girly, Sweet, but Fierce
with Pia

6 AM - 8 AM
Morning Becomes Neglected
Old, New, Borrowed, and Blue
with Briana

SATURDAY

12 AM - 2 AM
Digital:Nimbus
Electronic Audio Frequencies
with Pietrobot & Frequency Modulator

2 AM - 4 AM
Disturbing the Peace
Wake the Neighbors
with Adam

4 AM - 6 AM
The Balkan Powderkeg
Hunting the Gypsy Beast
with Monica

6 AM - 8 AM
Kinder-Ground
Korean Indie, Underground & Beyond
with Alex

SUNDAY

12 AM - 2 AM
Metamorphosis
Best of Underground Metal
with DJ Azrael

2 AM - 4 AM
The Lunar Calendar
Music for Wanderers
with DJ Selene

4 AM - 6 AM
Gravediggers
Punk Metal Music
with Paranoid Perry & The Mighty Joe

6 AM - 7 AM
Confessions of a College Student
College Issues and Advice
with Randy

7 AM - 8 AM
Imagine
Media, Politics, Sports & Show Business Talk
with Mac O'Keefe

8 AM - 10 AM
The Gospel Soul Train
Saving Lives and Souls
with Dr. Roland Esq Holmes

10 AM - 12 PM
Matinee Mehfil
Diverse South Asian Music
with Suja & Tani Tinuviel

12 PM - 2 PM
KUCI Hall of Fame Show
Former KUCI DJs Guest Host
with KUCI Alumni

2 PM - 4 PM
Radio Free Otaku
America's Only J-Rock & VK Radio Show
with Daichi Kuronuma

4 PM - 6 PM
Darkling Eclectica
Jazz, Classical, Folk, Stories
with Michael Payne

6 PM - 8 PM
Punk Becomes Eclectic
High Energy Punk Rock and Roll
with Jeff

8 PM - 10 PM
Howdylicious!
All That Twang!
with DJ Wanda

10 PM - 12 AM
Trash-o-matic Garbage A Go-Go
Raw, Wild and Outrageous!!
with Filthy Rotten Wes

PUBLIC AFFAIRS

8 AM - 9 AM
Inside the Mind
Cognition, Psychology, and Consciousness
with Ray PorManser

9 AM - 10 AM
Subversity
Subverting the Norm & Penetrating the Orange Curtain
with Dan Tsang

10 AM - 1 PM
The Blues Disease
The Best in World Class Blues
with Jeff Scott

8 AM - 9 AM
Weekly Signals
News, Imreverent Commentary and Interviews
with Mike Kaspar & Nathan Callahan

9 AM - 10 AM
Filmschool
Independent Film News and Interviews
with Nathan Callahan & Mike Kaspar

10 PM - 12 PM
Tuesdays with Moses Motorbike
Freeform Indie Radio
with Moses Motorbike

12 PM - 2 PM
George Had A Hat
Lunch Time Fun, Music And ...
with George & Alberi O. DeGonzales

2 PM - 4 PM
Songs of National Freedom
Why Indie Rock Is Still Alive!
with Patrick

4 PM - 6 PM
Big Cups for a Small World
Music with a Peanut Butter Center
with DJ Big Cup

8 AM - 9 AM ALTERNATING WEEKS
Yogi World
Yoga Culture, Namaste
with CoCo & Jay | **Health Matters**
Alternative Medicine
with Dr. Shakib

9 AM - 10 AM
Writers on Writing
Get Published
with Barbara D'Marco-Barrett

10 AM - 1 PM
Uptown Top Ranking
The World of Reggae
with Big Jim

1 PM - 3 PM
Scene and Heard
India Music To Dance & Profess Your Love To
with Vivian

3 PM - 5 PM
Sweater Weather
Pop, "R'n'Bperimental," and Selections In Between
with Emily

4 PM - 5 PM
ZM Radio
Alt Radio, FM Radio, ZM Radio
with Ziba Z

5 PM - 6 PM
Out the Rabbit Hole
Really Slamming Gab & Jamming
with Robert Larson

6 PM - 8 PM
Things that are Square
Music for Indoor Kids
with Kyle

8 PM - 10 PM
The Sound Session
Ragin' Day Rock Eclectic
with Erin

10 PM - 12 AM
Brown Noise
Poop Deck Dance Party 2000!
with Agent26 & Captain Erin

10 PM - 12 AM
Division of Hardcore Samples
Trance & Progressive House, Live DJ Mixes
with Arthur Galestan

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